

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.**

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT:

REPORT MADE AT <b>Kansas City, Missouri</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>1-13-27</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12-20-26 to 1-7-27</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>CHARLES JENKINS E.S.</b>
NAME OF SUSPECT OR SUBJECTS <b>WAS HERMAN BARKER, alias A. L. AYERS, alias                  D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILSON, fugitive                  ELMER A. IDEM, alias C. L. WALKER, alias E. E.                  DANKS, alias JAMES OSBORN.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND</b>

K.C. 26-646-28

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ELMER IDEM** now under arrest at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on burglary charge is former inmate of State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas.

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**[REDACTED]**, City Marshal at Fulton, Kansas, identified pictures of **HERMAN BARKER** and **ELMER IDEM** as men who he assisted in the arrest of by Fort Scott, Kansas, detectives.

PENDING.

**REFERENCE:**

Report agent **J.E. Fitzpatrick**, 12-4-26 and report Agent **Russell Bryon**, for December 5, 1926, both of the Oklahoma City office and report of agent for December 20, 1926.

**DETAILS:**

Agent ascertained that there is no hotel at Kansas City known as the Waldrow Hotel. Inquiries were made at the Waldorf Hotel, 52 West 14th Street, but no person by the name of **WAGNER** was known to have been a guest or employee.

At the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, agent interviewed **E. W. HUDSPATH**, Deputy Warden. Mr. Hudspath identified the picture of **ELMER A. IDEM** as that of former inmate # 6002. While a prisoner he had acted as chauffeur for the State Warden **J. K. CODDING**.

Agent was shown telegrams from **J. C. DUNCAN**, Superintendent State Bureau of Investigation at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and from **W. E. NELSON**, Chief of Police at Oklahoma City, telling of the arrest of **ELMER A. IDEM** on a charge of burglary.

At Fulton, Kansas, agent showed photographs of **FRED** and **WESLEY BARKER** to **R. E. BAUGH**, City Marshal for Fulton, who identified the pictures of **HERMAN BARKER** and **ELMER A. IDEM** as those of the two men he had assisted the Ft Scott detectives to

**EXPOSURE:**

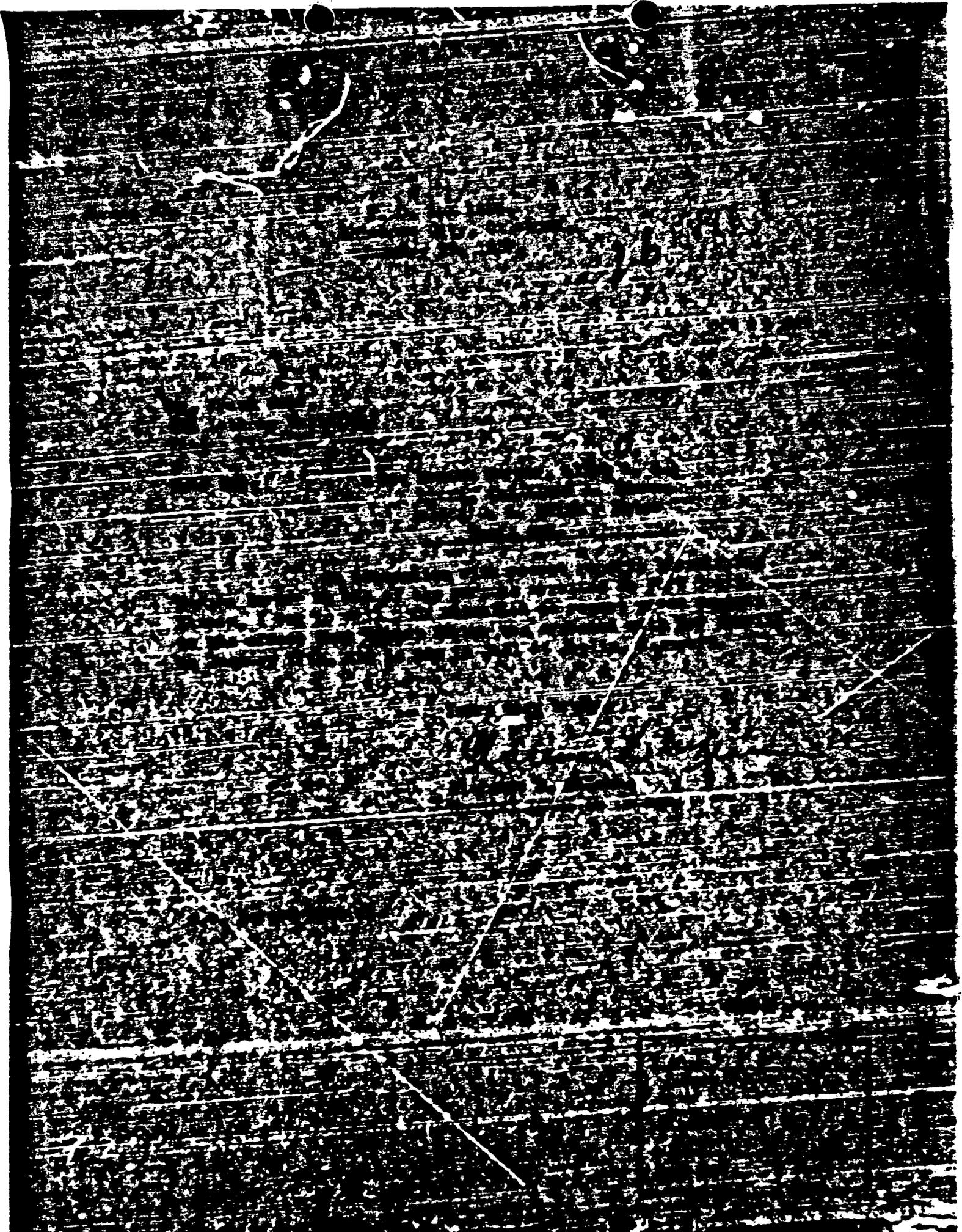
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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-2-27	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-21-27	REPORT MADE BY: Chas. Jenkins
TITLE: HERMAN BARKER, alias J. Ayers, alias O. W. Costello alias S. B. Willson OLIVER A. INMAN, alias C. L. White, alias M. H. Bess-Fugitive			CHARACTER OF CASE: VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

K.C. File 26-246

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Chief of Detectives at Joplin, Missouri advises that Herman Barker was delivered on January 21, to the Sheriff of Washington County, Arkansas to answer for a bank robbery offense.

PENDING

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REFERENCE: Entire file captioned as above.

DETAILS: The newspapers carried an account of the arrest of Herman Barker at Joplin, Missouri. This office communicated with the Police Department at that place and was advised by telegram from Ed Portley, Chief of Detectives at Joplin, that on January 21, 1927, Barker was delivered to the Sheriff of Washington County Arkansas to answer to a charge of bank robbery in that state.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE: Is requested to advise this office as to the disposition of the bank robbery case pending against Herman Barker in Washington County Arkansas.

CJ:EC

PENDING

DETAILS:

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED BY Oklahoma C. S. Okla.		REPORT MADE BY F. S. Griss, Jr.
REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-19-27	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-16-27
TITLE HERMAN BARKER, alias AL AYERS, alias D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILSON. ELMER A. INMAN, alias O. L. WHITE, alias E.H. AXES.		CHARACTER OF CASE National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.  (O. C. File #26-846-70)

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Elmer A. Inman was convicted in the State Court at Oklahoma City, for burglary, on February 9, 1927, and was sentenced to serve seven years in the State Penitentiary. Detainer has been placed at the Penitentiary.

PENDING.

REFERENCE: Report of Agent Charles Jenkins, dated February 2, 1927.

**DETAILS:**

Same as Synopsis of Facts.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE, at Fayetteville, Ark., will keep in touch with the status of the state case against Herman Barker.

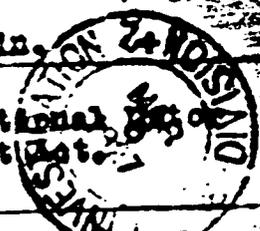
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Ok.**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Ok.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-2-27.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2-2-27.</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>F. G. Melvin.</b>
TITLE <b>HERMAN BARKER; alias AL AYERS, alias O. D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. H. WILLSON, alias A. IRLAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias J. H. ALRS.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Violation National Vehicle Theft Act.</b>



(O. C. 26-846-75) **26-9961**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Sheriff Henry Walker, Fayetteville, Washington County, Ark., advises that Subject Barker will be tried at the term of Court which convenes there April 25, 1927, for the robbery of the West Fork Bank, West Fork, Ark. Subject is now in the Washington County jail, Fayetteville, Ark., in default of \$10,000 bond. **PENDING.**

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Agent Chas. Jenkins, dated Feb. 2, 1927, at Kansas City, Mo.

**DETAILS:**

- At Fayetteville, Ark. -

Same as Synopsis of Facts.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD**

**OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:**

At Fayetteville, Ark., will ascertain on April 25, 1927, what disposition has been made of the case against Herman Barker, and if he is convicted, will place a detainer against him at the Arkansas State Penitentiary.

**PENDING.**

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. W. Lindsey</i>	Acting SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	2-02-33	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAR 3 1927
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December 9, 1926

Mr. C. D. ...  
Special Agent in Charge  
Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #1533  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

RE: - C. C. 26/846/32

Referring to report of Agent Russell ...  
of your office, dated December 8, 1926, concerning ...  
HARRIS, alias Al Ayers, alias D. H. Costello, alias S.B.  
Hillson, and ELMER A. INMAN, alias C. L. White, alias E.H.  
... please be advised that the following is an abstract  
of subject ELMER A. INMAN's record as on file in our  
Sanitation Division.

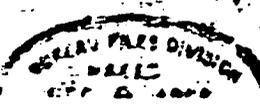
Subject as ELMER A. INMAN, alias E. A. INMAN,  
#4002, received at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing,  
Kans., from Cowley Co., June 27, 1917, charge robbery 1st  
degree; sentence 10 to 21 years.

The following notation also appears on the  
above print:  
Wenon, Mo., as E. A. INMAN, #278, arrested  
June 21, 1917, for grand larceny; returned to Winfield,  
Kansas.

As E. A. INMAN, #2493, arrested Tulsa, Okla.,  
October 19, 1921, charge theft of auto; returned to Lansing,  
Kansas State Penitentiary as parole violator.

As E. H. INMAN, alias A. E. BARK, #1501, arrest-  
ed Ironton, Okla., May 11, 1926, charge robbery (invasion-  
tion); no disposition given.

In the above referred to report as ...  
classification is given of subject ...  
have on file the ...  
arrested in Oklahoma, and thinking ...  
as the subject ...  
record with the information ...  
is the ...



His record is as follows:

Subject as Nathan Barker, alias Bert Lavender, alias Clarence Shaw, was arrested Tulsa, Okla., September 23, 1918, charge investigation; no disposition given.

The following notation also appears on the above print:

Arrested Joplin, Mo. #330, March 8, 1918; charge highway robbery (hold-up); no disposition given.

As Bert Lavender, alias Nathan Barker, was arrested by Sheriff, Billings, Mont., October 7, 1918, charge grand larceny; no disposition given.

As Bert Lavender, #3700, received at the Missouri State Prison, Iron Yellowsport Co., December 8, 1918, charge burglary 1st degree; sentence 6 to 12 years.

As Clarence Shaw, #3539, received at the Missouri State Prison, Hilliswater, Minn., from Rice Co., November 24, 1920, charge grand larceny 1st degree; sentence indeterminate.

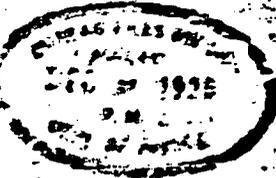
As J. H. Hamilton, alias L. C. Whittier, alias D. W. Evans, #3853, arrested Memphis, Tenn., May 27, 1920, charge fugitive from justice; no disposition given.

The following notation also appears on the above print:

Arrested at Sioux City, Iowa about two years ago on investigation; released.

The following is record of Ray Ferrill, alias T. E. Gordon, referred to in your report:

Subject as George Ray Ferrill, alias G. R. Ferrill, alias George Ray Ferrill, alias G. H. Patten, alias R. H. Ferrill, #3050, arrested Colorado Springs, Colo., May 7, 1919, charge fugitive from justice; sent to Sheriff's office, Sioux Falls, S.D., 1919.



As G. E. Ferrill, 1903, received at the  
Alabama State Penitentiary, Milledgeville, Ga., from James  
Harris, 1901, charge grand larceny, sentence 1 year and  
1 day.

As G. E. Patton, 1903, arrested Miss, Ga.,  
January 12, 1904, charge investigating, released.

The following relations also appear on the  
above print:

As G. E. Patton, arrested at Talco, Ga.,  
1910, for possession of intoxicating liquors; 60 pounds.  
As G. E. Patton, arrested at Talco, Ga., 1910, charge  
for liquor, 10 pounds.

As G. E. Patton, 1903, arrested Milledgeville,  
Ga., January 12, 1904, charge investigating, released;  
transferred to DeKalb Co., Ga.

As G. E. Patton, 1903, received at the  
Alabama State Penitentiary, Milledgeville, Ga., from  
Lincoln Co., Georgia, 1904, charge sale keeping for  
best robbery, sentence 7 years.

As E. E. Patton, 1903, received at the  
Alabama State Penitentiary, Milledgeville, Ga., May 1,  
1905, charge sale keeping for the benefit of Lincoln  
Co., on a charge of burglary, no further information given.

As George Ray Patton, 1903, arrested Milledgeville,  
Ga., November 7, 1904, charge investigating, released;  
transferred to DeKalb Co. on a charge of burglary.

The following relations also appear on the  
above print:

As G. E. Patton, 1903, received at the  
Alabama State Penitentiary, Milledgeville, Ga., from  
Lincoln Co. Jail at Milledgeville, Ga., as a night of Nov. 2, 1904.

As Ray Ferrill, 1903, received at the  
Alabama State Penitentiary, Milledgeville, Ga., from James  
Harris, 1901, charge grand larceny, sentence 1 year and  
1 day.

As G. E. Patton, 1903, arrested Milledgeville,  
Ga., May 11, 1904, charge investigating, released;  
transferred to DeKalb Co., Ga.

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The following is report of Mrs. [Name] received to [Date]

Subject to this report, [Name] was [Action] by [Agency] on [Date] at [Location].

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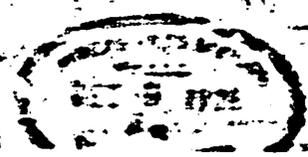
The following is report of Mrs. [Name] received to [Date]

Subject to this report, [Name] was [Action] by [Agency] on [Date] at [Location].

Notation has been made on our records that [Name] and [Name] are [Status] by [Agency] and any information received in the future concerning [Name] will be promptly communicated to your office.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]



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# Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

P. O. Box 1838,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

December 4, 1926.

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Director,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

26-9961

Dear Sir:-

ATTENTION DIVISION FOUR

Re: Elmer A. Inman and A.L. Ayers,  
Fugitives - National Motor Throat

It is requested that Identification Order be issued for ELMER A. INMAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias E.H. AXES. Memorandum containing the necessary data, photograph of Subject, and a sample of his handwriting are enclosed herewith. Kindly return the photograph to this office as soon as possible.

Request for the issuance of an Identification Order on A. L. Ayers will be made at a later date, as soon as he is identified.

Yours very truly,

Clarence D. McKean,  
Special Agent in Charge

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ELMER A. INMAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias  
E. H. AMES. FUGITIVE.

Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Indicted at Fort Scott, Kansas, on November 9, 1926, for  
transportation of a Coupe Motor #412026, from Fairfax, Oklahoma,  
to Fort Scott, Kansas, on or about June 4, 1926.

Description:

Age 38 years (1926)  
Height 6 feet 1 inch  
Weight 160 pounds  
Build slim  
Hair medium auburn  
Eyes blue

Complexion ruddy  
Occupations motion picture operator, jewelry repair man,  
clerk, auto mechanic.

Born at Mount Grove, Mo.

Fingerprint classification:

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Escaped from Carter County Jail, at Ardmore, Oklahoma, on September  
27, 1926. Ray Terrill, alias T. R. Gordon, alias Ray Patton escaped at  
the same time. Terrill is probably with Inman, and they are probably  
accompanied by Mrs. Ray Terrill; Mrs. Edna Mather, alias Edna Delaney, alias  
Edna Goddings; and Ethel Tagner alias Mrs. Ethel R. Terrill, whose des-  
criptions are as follows:

Ray Terrill: Age 28; height 5 feet, 11 1/2 inches; weight 149 pounds;  
build medium; hair medium chestnut; eyes gray; complexion medium; finger-  
print classification  $\frac{1 \ A2a \ 1}{1 \ A3a}$

Mrs. Ray Terrill: Age 21; height 4 feet 9 1/2 inches; weight 94 pounds;  
build small; hair chestnut (red); eyes light blue; complexion fair;  
fingerprint classification:  $\frac{1 \ R \ 01 \ 11}{0 \ 7}$

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*J. O. assumed 12/5/26*

Mrs. Edna Ames: Age 24; height 5 feet 4 inches; weight 110 pounds;  
build small; hair black; eyes medium chestnut; complexion sallow; finger-  
print classification:  $\frac{1 \quad 0 \quad (11) \quad 12}{1 \quad 2 \quad (10) \quad 14}$

Ethel Wagner: Age 30; height 5 feet 2 inches; weight 120 pounds;  
build small; hair black; eyes gray; complexion medium; fingerprint  
classification:  $\frac{(22) \quad 27 \quad 13 \quad 10}{12 \quad 00 \quad 14}$

Inman is a dangerous man, and will not hesitate to shoot any officers  
endeavoring to apprehend him.

Photograph of Inman and samples of his handwriting are attached to the  
Bureau copies of this memorandum. Kindly return the photograph to the Oklahoma  
City Office.

REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Mo.	DATE MADE 11-4-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/21-24/26	REPORT MADE BY J. L. Fitzpatrick
TITLE WALTER MARSH, alias A. L. AYERS, alias D. F. FICHELLO, alias G. W. AYERS. ELMER A. LEMMA, alias C. L. WHITE, alias R. H. AYERS. - FUGITIVES -		CHARACTER OF CASE DEC 7 - 1926 National Motor Vehicle Theft Act	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS**

(O. C. 26-245-42) 26-996

C. L. White positively identified as Elmer A. Lemma. One of arresting officers viewed Herman Barker's photograph and states he is A. L. Ayers. Other arresting officer viewed photograph of Fred Barker and states the latter is A. L. Ayers. City Marshal, Fulton, Kansas, arrested A. L. Ayers in Fulton, Kansas, on June 10, 1926, and turned him over to Ft. Scott, Kansas, Police Officers. Kansas City office requested to exhibit photographs of Herman and Fred Barker to City Marshal, Fulton, Kansas, to ascertain which is Al Ayers. Information set out which may lead to the apprehension of Lemma. Information obtained that Fred Barker is in jail, Jirfield, Kansas.

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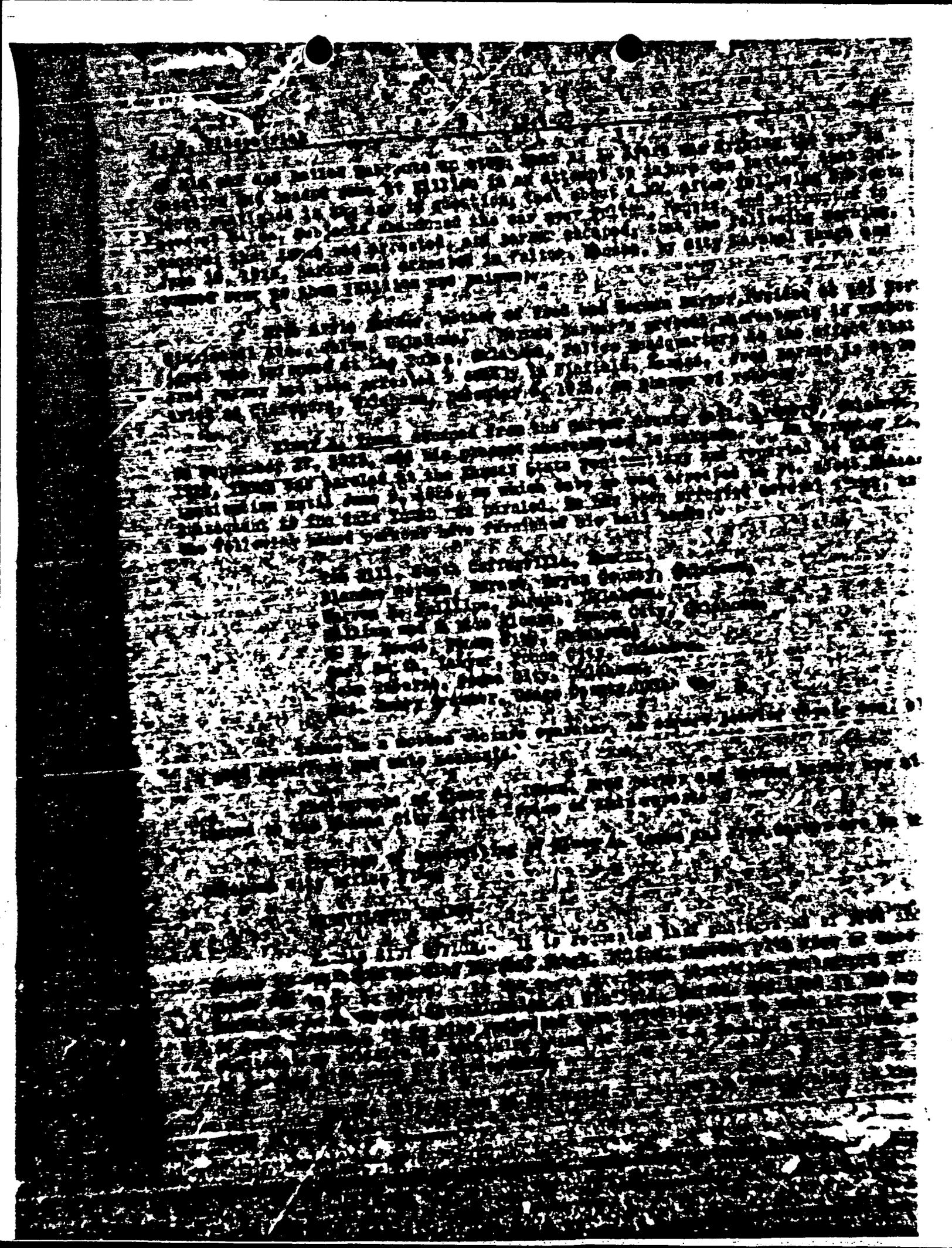
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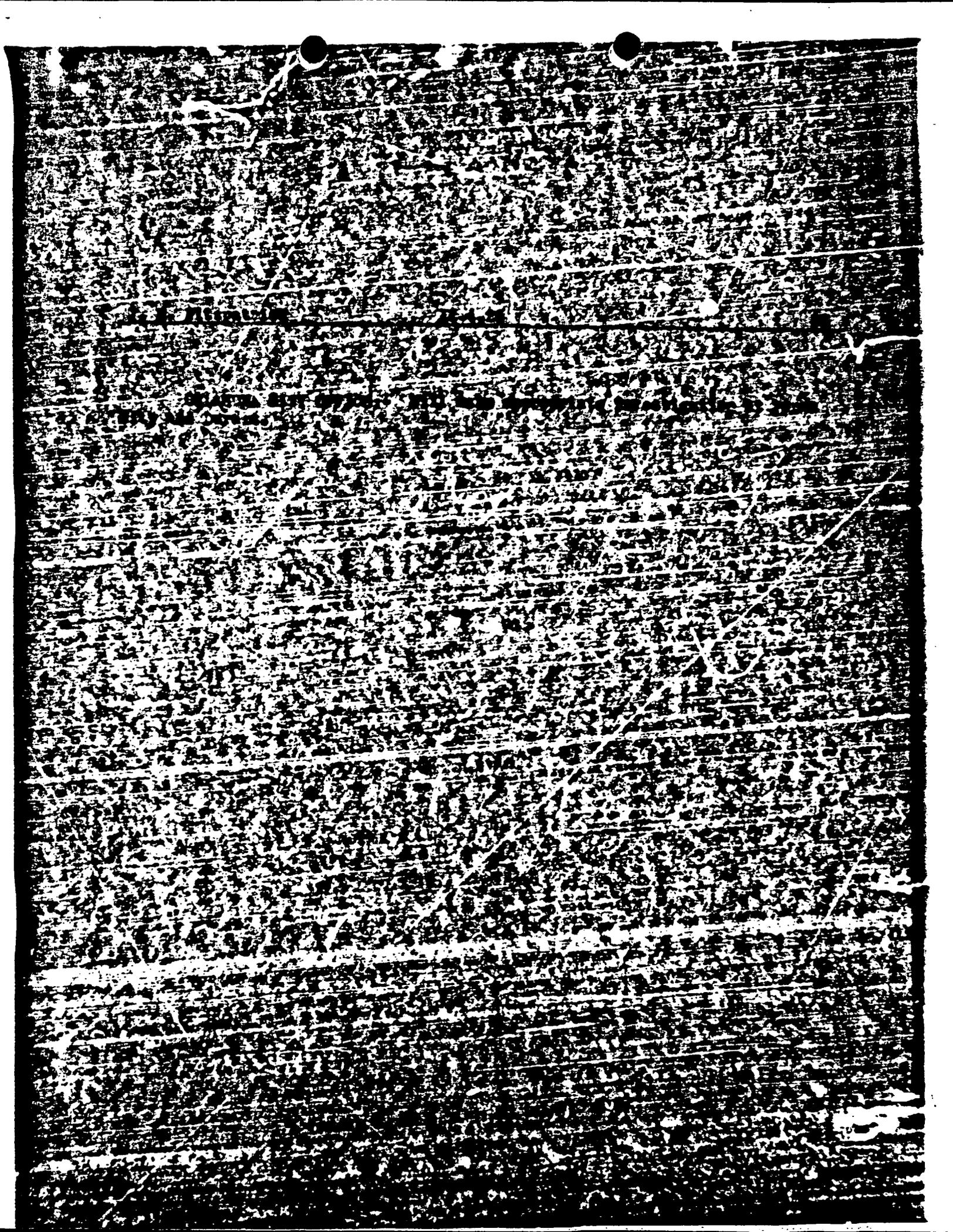
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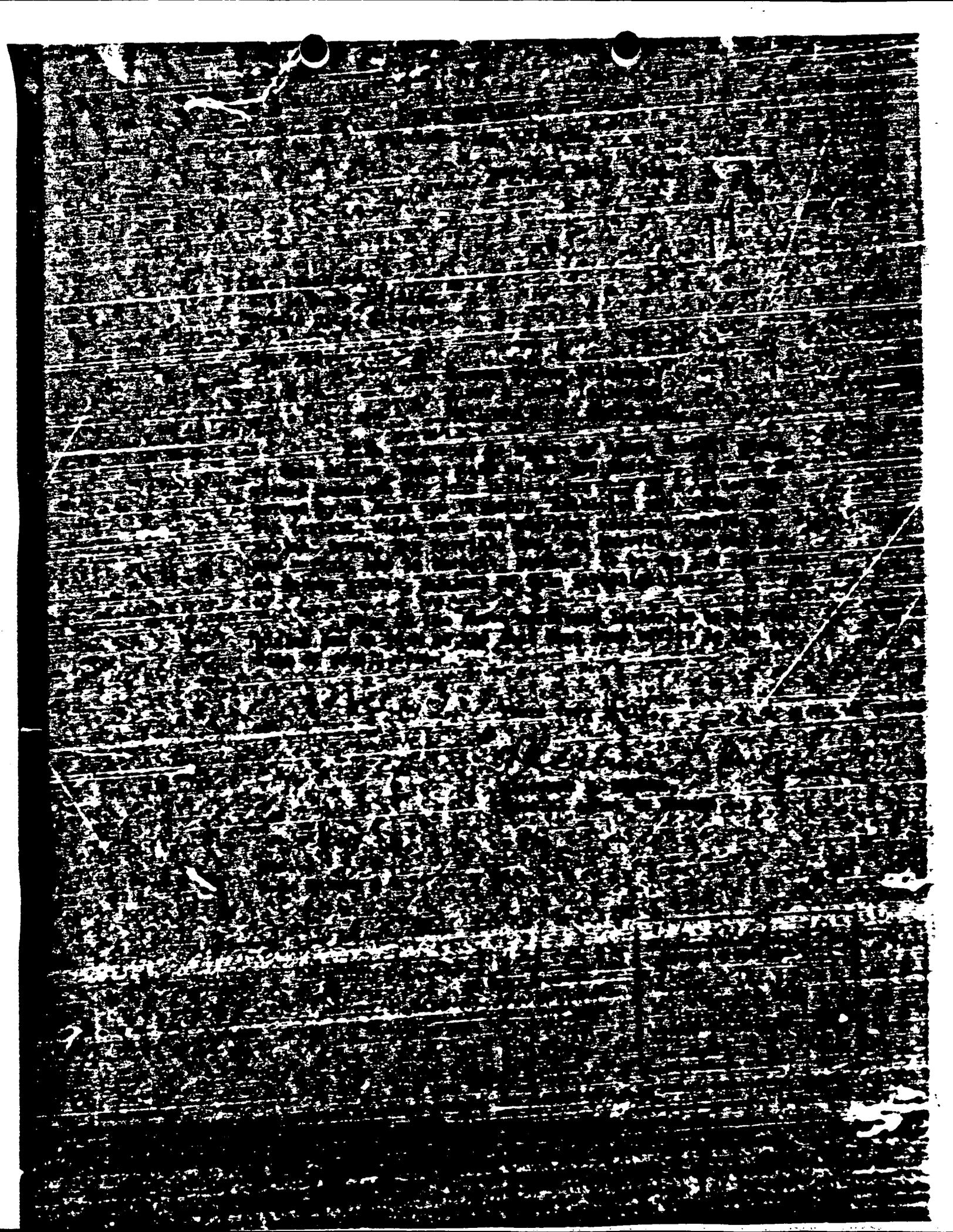
While in Ft. Scott, Kansas, attending Grand Jury, Agent exhibited photographs of Elmer A. Lemma, Fred Barker and Herman Barker to John Killian and George Baimm, police officers, who saw A. L. Ayers and C. L. White in possession of the car in question in Ft. Scott, Kansas. Officer Killian positively identified photograph of Elmer A. Lemma and Fred Barker as C. L. White and A. L. Ayers respectively. Officer Baimm positively identified photograph of Lemma as C. L. White, however, he was of the opinion that the photograph of Herman Barker answered to A. L. Ayers.

Officer Killian stated that about 2:00 P.M., on June 9, 1926, while accompanied by Officer George Baimm, he saw Subjects Lemma and Fred Barker in Ft. Scott, Kansas, in the car in question, going in a northerly direction; that they (Killian and Baimm) overtook Subjects outside the city limits; that he (Killian) stopped out

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 12-20-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-13-26	REPORT MADE BY CHARLES JENKINS. Dec 20 1926
NAME OF SUSPECT HERMAN BARKER, alias A.L. AYERS, alias D.V. COSTELLO, alias S.B. WILLSON. ELMER A. LEMAN, alias O.L. WHITE, alias E.H. AYERS. - FUGITIVES -			CHARACTER OF CASE VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FRED BARKER, now confined in the County jail, Winfield, Kansas is same person as photograph forwarded this office by the Oklahoma City office. BARKER waived hearing on burglary charge, December 13, 1926, bond fixed at \$5000.

PENDING.

REFERENCE:

Report of Agent J.E. FITZPATRICK, Oklahoma City office, dated December 4, 1926, and prior reports by other agents.

DETAILS:

AT WINFIELD, KANSAS.

Agent looked at FRED BARKER, now confined in the County jail, Winfield, Kansas, and found him to be same person whose photograph was forwarded to this office by the Oklahoma city office and marked FRED BARKER. He is charged with burglary, committed at Winfield, Kansas on November 7, 1926. He was arraigned and waived a hearing before District Judge O.B. FULLER. His bond was fixed at \$5000. The case will be heard sometime in March, 1927.

At the time of his arrest he was driving a Nash Sedan, Serial No. A35877, Motor No. A10946.

Chief of Police, FRED C. HOOVER, Winfield, Kansas, informed Agent that he had shown pictures of FRED and HERMAN BARKER to the night clerk and porter of the Legend Hotel, at Winfield and they had identified the photograph of HERMAN BARKER as that of the man who was with FRED BARKER at the hotel on November 7, 1926 the date of the robbery.

Chief HOOVER had communicated with the Nash Agency at Tulsa, Oklahoma and found that the Nash Sedan in which FRED BARKER was driving at the time

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of his arrest had been sold to J.H. HAMILTON, who transacted in a Paige car for same; also HAMILTON at the time of purchase had left with the Nash Agency at Tulsa, Oklahoma, a card bearing the following printed matters:

"Box 86 Phone 16  
Radium Springs Health Resort  
Radium Baths, Cabins, Hotel & Cafe  
Salina, Oklahoma.  
J.H. Hamilton  
Carol Hamilton  
Ted Murray." J.H. Hamilton

Chief HOOVER believes that J.H. HAMILTON is HERMAN BARKER, that TED MURPHY is FRED BARKER; that CAROL HAMILTON is the wife of HERMAN BARKER. Chief HOOVER further stated that he has heard that the Sheriff of the county in which Radium Springs Health Resort is located is friendly with the BARKER-TOGAN gang, also that BARKER and TOGAN may be found at Wetumpas Road House, a notorious resort near Ponca City, Oklahoma.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:

It is suggested to make inquiry at the Nash Agency, Tulsa, Oklahoma, in order to determine whether J.H. HAMILTON, who recently purchased a Nash Sedan is HERMAN BARKER. Reference is also made to the suggestions of Chief of Police at Winfield, Kansas as to the probability of locations of fugitives TOGAN and BARKER.

KANSAS CITY OFFICE:

Will make further investigation at Fulton, Missouri and other points in this district, in compliance with the wishes of the Oklahoma City office.

PENDING.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON DC  
 REFERENCE BY LETTER FOURTH REQUESTING IDENTIFICATION ORDER ON NUMBER 0  
 I WANT STOP SUBJECT APPREHENDED HERE YESTERDAY

FOUR TICKETS.

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P. O. Box 1535,  
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Dec. 28, 1926.

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Director,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

ATTENTION DIVISION #4.

Dear Sir:

RE: Elmer A. Inman, alias C. L. White,  
alias Al Ayres  
Nat'l. Motor Veh. Theft Act.

Referring to my letter of the 4th instant requesting an Identification Order be prepared on Elmer A. Inman, alias C. L. White, alias Al Ayres, please be advised that this man was arrested here yesterday in the act of burglarizing a store, therefore, it will not be necessary to prepare the Order in question.

This letter is in confirmation of my telegram of even date.

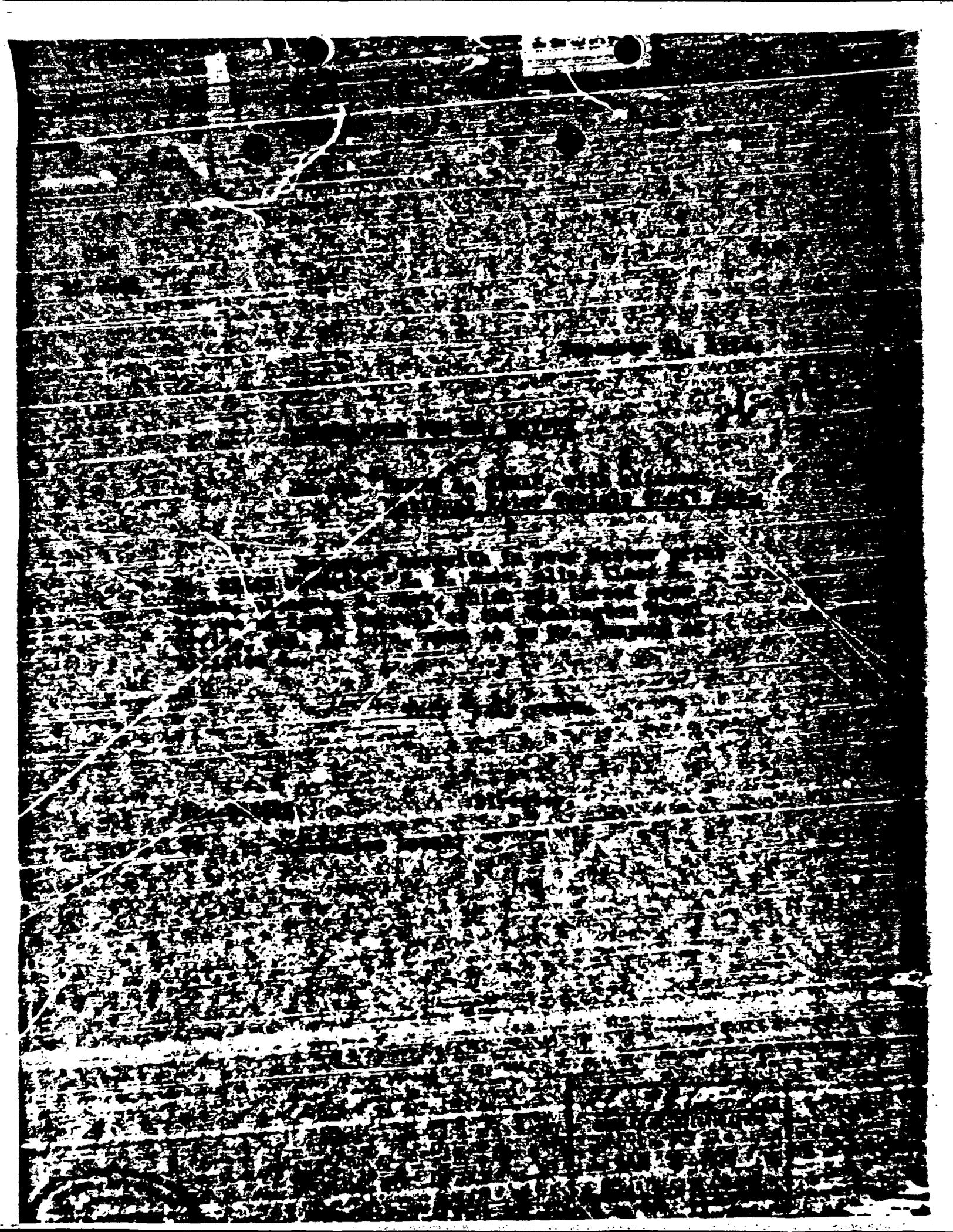
Very truly yours,

*Clarence D. McKean*  
Clarence D. McKean,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Okla.**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>12-30-26</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12-27-26</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>Russell Bryan</b>
TITLE <b>HERMAN BARKER, alias A. L. AYRES, alias D. U. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILSON (Fugitive) ELMER A. INMAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias E. E. AMES, alias JAMES OSBORN.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.</b>

(O.C. 426-846-47) **26-9961**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Elmer A. Inman, alias E. E. Ames, was apprehended December 27, 1926, by Oklahoma City Police Department, in company with Alvin Sherwood, while in the act of robbing a safe at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

- PENDING -

**REFERENCE:-** Previous reports in the above entitled case, showing Subjects under Federal indictment at Ft. Scott, Kansas.

- At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma -

**DETAILS:-**

On the night of December 27, 1926, Elmer A. Inman was captured by police Officers John Von Elm, Guy Mitchell, John Hubatka, Grover Gaines and Reese Galvan, while in the act of robbing a safe at the Toy Brothers Clothing Store, 225 West Main Street. In company with Inman was Alvin Sherwood, alias Harry B. James, an ex-convict from Leavenworth Penitentiary.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:-**

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE will report action in State Court against subject Inman; will also make investigation at Tulsa and Ponca City, Oklahoma, as indicated in report of Agent Charles Jenkins, Kansas City, December 20, 1926.

- PENDING -

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	26-9961-26	RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>JAN 8 1927</b>
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Phoenix File #26-407

REPORT MADE AT Phoenix, Arizona.	DATE WHEN MADE 12/29/26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/7-8/26	REPORT MADE BY J. C. White
TITLE WAS: HENRY BARTON, alias A. AYERS, alias D. W. COSSOLLO, alias B. B. WILSON, alias A. DEAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias E. H. MOES - FUGITIVES			CHARACTER OF CASE VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT. JAN 4 - 1927 - 4961 26-4961

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** A request from Oklahoma City Office received by this Office to endeavor to locate Subject, DEAN, this District. A full description and photograph of Subjects furnished the Phoenix Police Department and Sheriff's Office and various other Peace Offices with the request that these officers assist this Department in the apprehension of Subjects, should they appear in this district and this Office will be notified immediately, if Subjects are apprehended here.

R. U. C.

**REFERENCE** - is made to the report of Agent Russell Bryon of the Oklahoma City Office, dated December 3, 1926, bearing identical caption.

**DETAILS:**

Upon receipt of the above referred to report, a detailed description and photograph taken from the enclosed photographs furnished this Office by the Oklahoma Office were furnished the Phoenix Police Department and the Sheriff's Department, as well as various other Peace Officers in this District. These Officers were requested to assist this Department in the apprehension of these Subjects, should they be in this District and in case Subjects are apprehended, this Office will be notified immediately.

Until such apprehension of Subjects in this District, this case will be

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Washington, D. C.

IDENTIFICATION  
ORDER #

December 27, 1926.

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WANTED.

WINER A. INMAN, Aliases:  
C. L. WHITE, E. H. AMES,  
A. B. MARK.

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issue - sub.  
apprehended Dec.  
27, 1926.*

TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE:

WANTED FOR VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Inman was indicted in the Third Division of the U. S. Court for the District of Kansas, at Fort Scott, Kansas, on November 9, 1926, for theft of Paige Coupe, Motor #412, 026, property of Henry Ward, Fairfax, Okla., and its interstate transportation from Fairfax, Okla., to Fort Scott, Kansas, on or about June 4, 1926.

Description:

Age- 38 yrs. (1926)  
Height- 6'-1"  
Weight 160 lbs.  
Build- slim  
Hair- medium Auburn  
Eyes- blue  
Complexion- ruddy  
Occupation- Motion picture operator, jewelry repairer, chauffeur, auto mechanic.  
Birthplace- Mount Grove, Mo.

(Photos attached. Print front and side views. Front view with glasses. Print subject's signature.)

Fingerprints attached.

Fingerprint classification:

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Inman, together with Ray Terrill, alias R. Gordon, alias Ray Cotton, escaped from Carter County, Okla. Jail on September 1, 1926, after overpowering guard. Terrill is 28; 5' 11"; 145 lbs.; medium build; medium chestnut hair; gray eyes; fingerprint classification: 1A 2a 1 and these men, who may be accompanied by Mrs. Ray Terrill, Mrs. Edna Ames and Ethel Waggoner, have been associated together in the commission of crimes of violence.

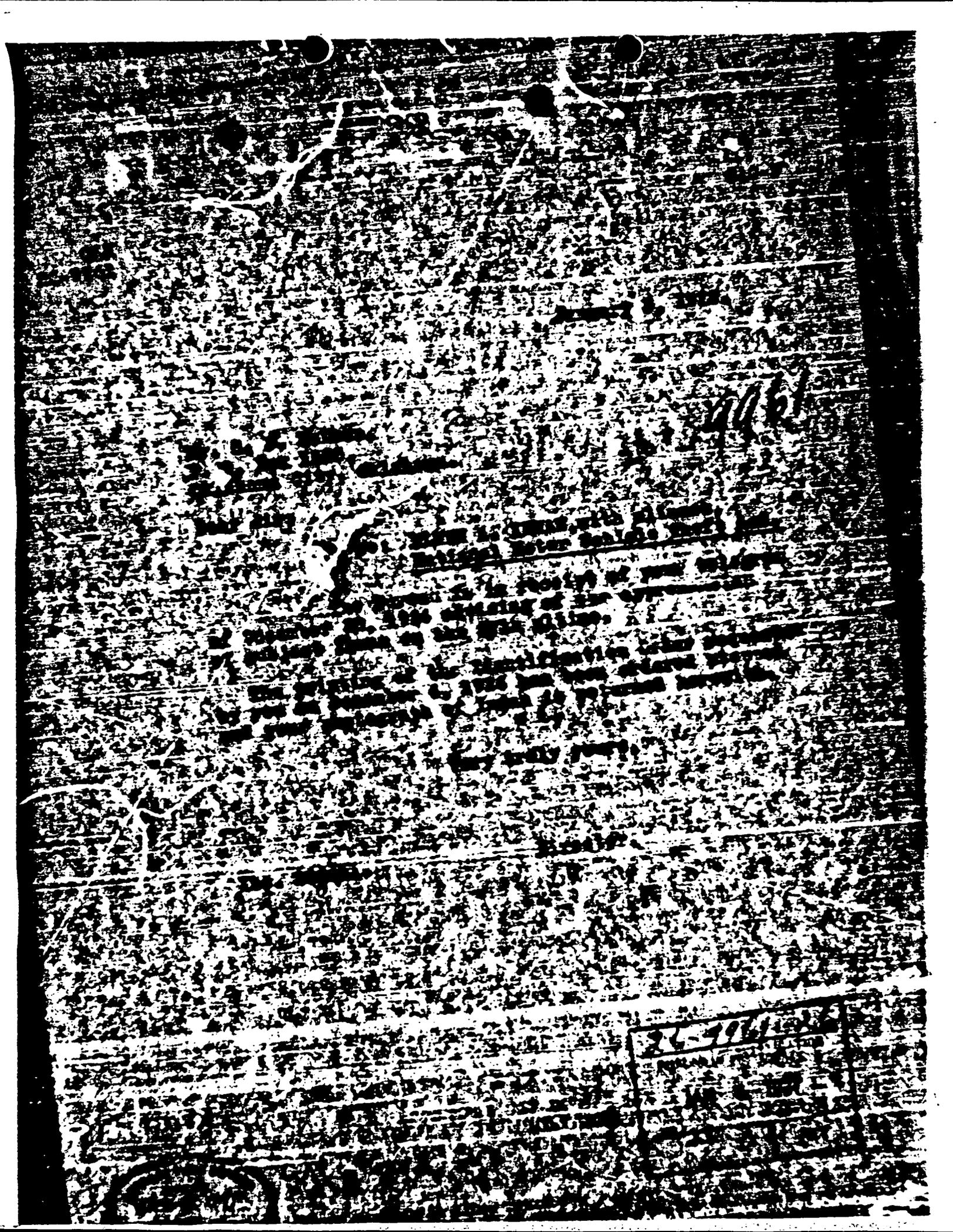
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Inman is reported as a dangerous man with a gun and care should be exercised in apprehending him.

If apprehended, notify Agent in Charge Frank Cole, 426 Lathrop Building, Kansas City, Mo., and the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

*A. C. Hoover*  
Director.



THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Okla.**

REPORT MADE AT <b>El Paso, Texas.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>1-4-27</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12-4-26 to 1-3-27</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. J. Cassidy.</b>
SUBJECTS: <b>HEDMAN BARKER, alias AL AYRES, alias D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILSON, alias RAYMOND A. IRWIN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias H. H. AMES - Fugitives</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.</b>

(El Paso File 26-610)

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Careful inquiry at El Paso, Texas, and Deming, N.M., failed to show that any of these Subjects have been in this district recently. All officers notified and will be on the lookout for Subjects.

R. U. C.

76-996

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent Bryon, Oklahoma City, Okla., for 12-3-26, captioned as above.

**DETAILS:**

At El Paso, Texas, and Deming, N.M.

Inquiry at the El Paso Police and Sheriff's Departments with reference to these Subjects failed to show that they are known locally. Full information was furnished these officers, who have promised to be on the lookout for Subjects, and notify this office if found.

Sheriff Tom Baker, of Deming, New Mexico, advised that he had neither seen nor heard of Ray Terrell, or any of these Subjects since the apprehension of Terrell in May, 1926. He advised further that he would keep a lookout for all Subjects, and notify this office if found.

**REFERRED BACK TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN - NO FURTHER ACTION HERE.**

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED  <i>R.H. Coleman</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>JAN 7 1927</b>
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Director,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Attention Division Four.

Dear Sir:

Re: Al Ayers, alias Herman Barker,  
and Elmer Imman, alias E. H.  
James - Natl. Motor Theft Act.

Reference is made to the entire file in the above case, particularly to the reports of Agent Denver H. Graham, dated August 27th, 1926, and Agent J. E. Fitzpatrick, dated September 30th, 1926.

The investigation by Agents Graham and Fitzpatrick indicates that in all probability these notorious outlaws have made an arrangement with certain County officers in this state and that by means of this arrangement, whenever these parties are arrested for any offense, these County officers, or some of them, appear on the scene with a fake warrant, by means of which they obtain custody of these outlaws, ostensibly to return them to Ottawa County, Oklahoma, but in reality to liberate them. This is apparently what happened at the time these subjects were arrested in Fort Scott, Kansas in possession of the automobile which is the basis of our present investigation.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which has been received by Special Agent Fitzpatrick from [redacted], and a copy of a letter from Agent Fitzpatrick to me.

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As you are probably aware, there are certain County officials in Oklahoma who unfortunately protect criminals instead of prosecuting them. From all that I can ascertain [redacted] is reliable and has always cooperated with this office whenever requested to do so. Since it appears that [redacted] is making a bona fide effort to uncover misconduct in office on the part of certain officials in Ottawa County, Oklahoma, it occurs to me that

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It might be advisable to assist him, at least to the extent of giving him the benefit of information now in the files, or laying this information before the proper State officials.

It is requested that you instruct me what action I should take in the matter. I have not replied to [redacted] and will not do so until I hear from you.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence D. McLean*  
Clarence D. McLean,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Oklahoma City, Okla.

REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City, Ok.	DATE MADE 3-2-27	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-23-27.	REPORT MADE BY F. C. Grinn
SUBJECTS ALVIN KARPIS, alias J. EDWARDS, alias D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILLSON, ALGER A. INMAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias J. H. AMES.			CHARACTER OF CASE Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

(O. C. 26-846-76) 26-9961

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject Inman not yet transferred to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Fugitive warrant issued and will be served if Subject makes appeal bond. P. C. C.

REFERENCES:

Report of this Agent dated Feb. 19, 1927, captioned as above.

DETAILS:

Since report of this Agent, mentioned above, Subject Inman has given notice of appeal from his recent conviction in the State Court, and bond has been fixed at \$20,000.

Anticipating that this bond will be made, fugitive complaint, charging Inman with being a fugitive from the District of Kansas, was filed at Oklahoma City on February 25, 1927, and warrant was placed in the hands of the U. S. Marshal, who has made necessary arrangements at the Oklahoma County jail to have Inman held on this charge in the event he makes the appeal bond.

PENDING OTHER OFFICES.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

REPORT MADE AT  
**Kansas City, Mo.**

DATE WHEN MADE  
**2-2-27**

PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE  
**2-2-27**

TITLE  
**BANKER BARKER, alias AL AYERS, alias B.W. COSTELLO, alias S.B. WILSON, alias A. IRMAN, alias J. WHITE, alias R.H. AMES.**

REPORT MADE BY  
**DWIGHT BRANTLEY**

CHARACTER OF CASE  
**VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.**

K.O. FILE 24-644



**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Review of file shows subject **BARKER** delivered to custody of sheriff, Washington County, Arkansas, January 21, 1927, by police department, Joplin, Missouri, to answer charge of bank robbery. Subject **IRMAN** sentenced Oklahoma State Penitentiary, February 2, 1927, to seven years. Lead for Oklahoma City office. Both subjects indicted Fort Scott, Kansas, November 9, 1926.

**PENDING.**

**REFERENCE:**

Reports agents **F.C. GRIMES, Jr.**, Oklahoma City office, dated February 19, 1927, and **CHARLES JENKINS**, Kansas City, Missouri, dated February 2, 1927 and to file.

**DETAILS:**

**AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.**

Review of the file shows apprehension of subject **BARKER**, as set out in synopsis; also sentence to Oklahoma Penitentiary of subject **IRMAN**, as set out in synopsis.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

**REMARKS:**

**OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:**

Is requested to ascertain the outcome of the charge of bank robbery against subject **BARKER** in Washington County, Arkansas.

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REPORT MADE BY **Dwight Brantley**

REPORT MADE AT **OKLAHOMA CITY**

DATE WHEN MADE **3-11-27**

PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE **3-21-27**

CHARACTER OF CASE  
**VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACT**

**WILLIAM BARKER, alias AL ALKER, alias L.W. SWINARD, alias R.R. VILLSON; EDWARD A. DEWAT, alias G.H. WHITE, alias R.L. BENS**

**K.C. File 25-615-45**



**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject Barker now confined to Washington County Jail, Arkansas, awaiting trial in State Court, April 25, 1927, on robbery charge. Kansas City Newspapers, 3-18-27 carry an Associated Press news item to effect Subject Inman escaped from guards near Belton, Oklahoma, 3-17-27 while on train enroute Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to prison at McAlester, Oklahoma.

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**FEEDING**

**REFERENCE:**

Reports Agents T.C. Melvin, 3-1-27 and F.C. Grimes, 3-8-27, both of Oklahoma City and to file.

**AT KANSAS CITY MISSOURI**

**DETAILS:**

Review of the file shows confinement of Subject Barker, as set out in synopsis heretofore. Kansas City, Missouri newspapers, dated 3-18-27, carrying an item showing escape of Subject Inman as set out in synopsis.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

**OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA OFFICE:** Is requested to verify the alleged escape of Subject Inman and to contact such investigation as is deemed appropriate in the circumstances.

**FEEDING OTHER OFFICES:**

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P. O. Box 1536,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,  
March 22, 1927.



E.K.S.  
25-446-22

Director,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Division Four.

Dear Sir:

Re: <sup>0</sup> Elmer A. Iman, with aliases,  
Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Reference is made to your letter of January 3, 1927 (25-9961), in which you advised that the issuance of an Identification Order on the above subject had been stopped, for the reason that he was at that time in custody.

On March 17, 1927, while being transferred from the Oklahoma County Jail to the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Elmer Iman escaped, by leaping from a moving train. It is requested that the Identification Order be issued.

You might desire to add to the data previously sent you the information that this man is also wanted by the State of Oklahoma, to serve a sentence of seven years for burglary. He is also wanted by the Sheriff at Ardmore, Okla.

Very truly yours,

C. D. McKean,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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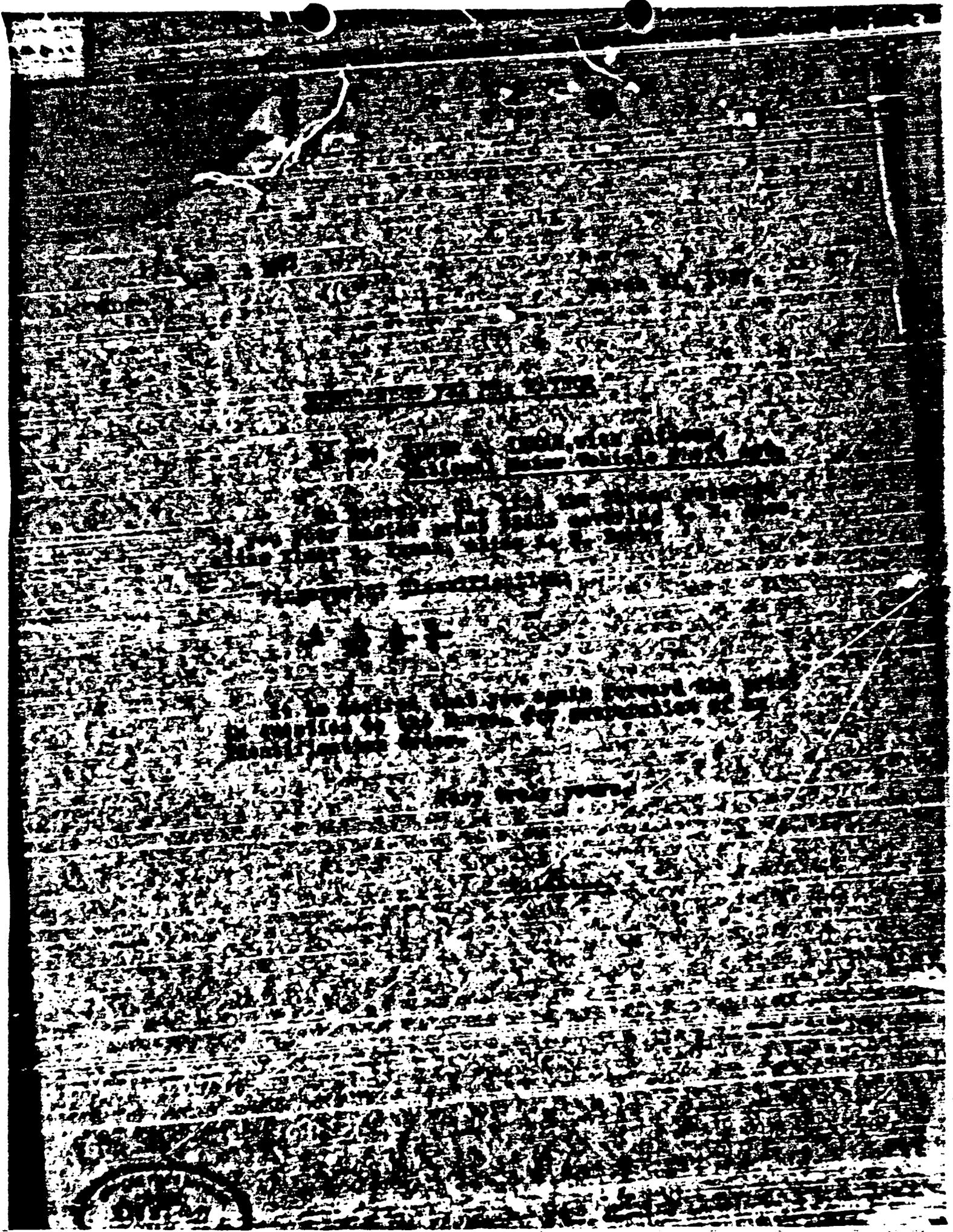
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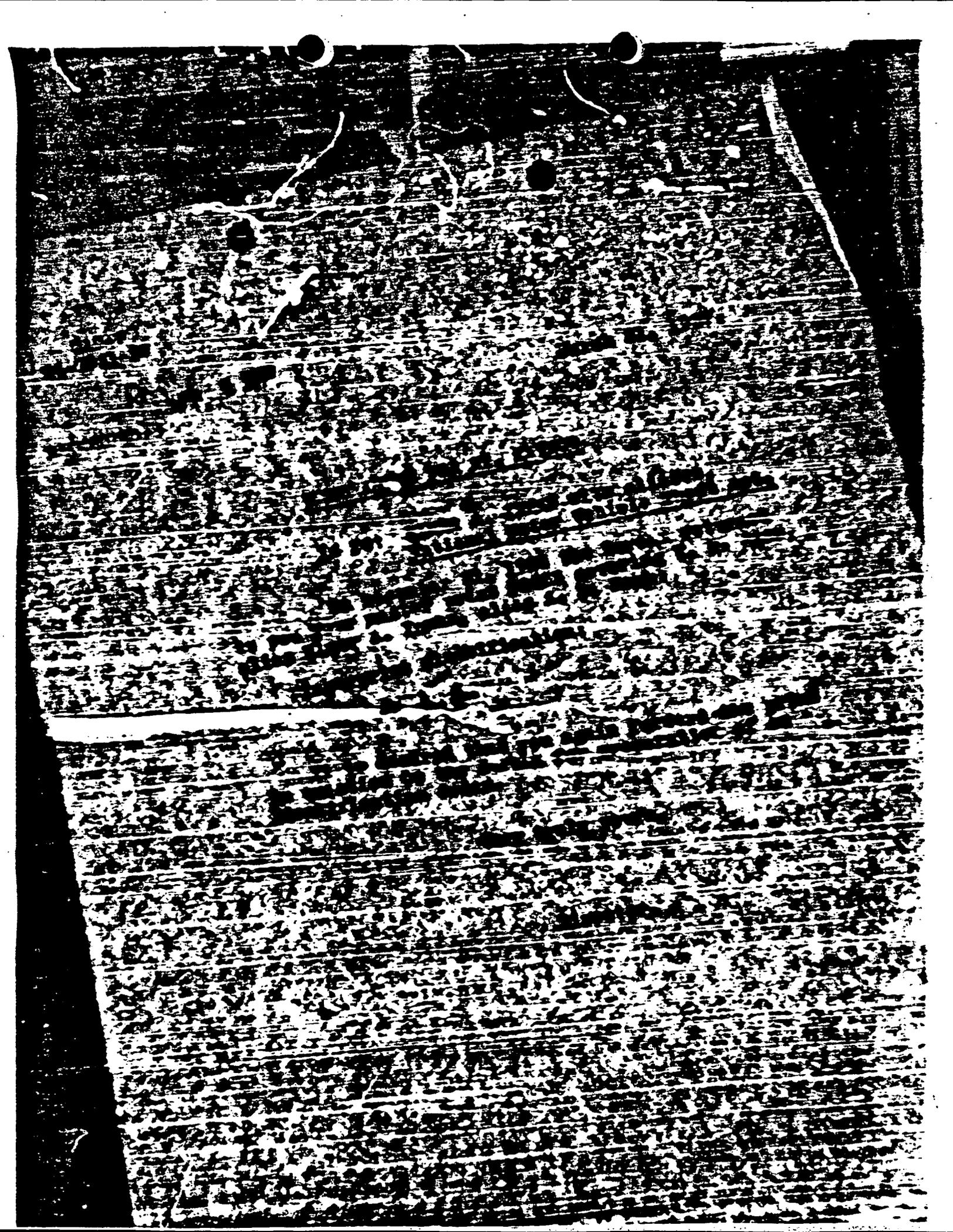
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TITLE <b>HERMAN BARBER, alias AL AYERS, alias D. V. SOSTELLO, alias S. B. WILLSON; KIMBER A. LEVAN, alias C.L. WHITE, alias E.H. AINS.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.</b>
(O. C. File #26-846-81)			



**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Fugitive complaint filed on March 17, 1927 before United States Commissioner at Port Smith, Ark., charging that at Port Scott, Kans., on November 9, 1926, an indictment was returned against Herman Barber, in which it is charged that on June 6, 1926, at Port Scott, Kans., Subject transported from Fairfax, Okla., to Port Scott, Kansas, Paige Coupe, Motor No. 412026. Warrant placed in the hands of the United States Marshal for the Western District of Arkansas.

PENDING.

REFERENCE: Report of this agent, dated March 1, 1927.

- At Port Smith, Arkansas -

**DETAILS:**

Same as Synopsis of Facts.

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INVESTIGATION DIVISION  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER.

In compliance with your memorandum of March 31st, I am enclosing herewith fingerprint card #1391, on **ELMER A. IRMAN**, with aliases, for use in preparing an Identification Order.

It is requested that the above print be returned to the Identification Division not later than April 15th, in accordance with memorandum from the Director wherein it is directed that prints loaned to offices within the Bureau must be returned with 2 weeks.

Very truly yours,

*H. G. [Signature]*  
CHIEF  
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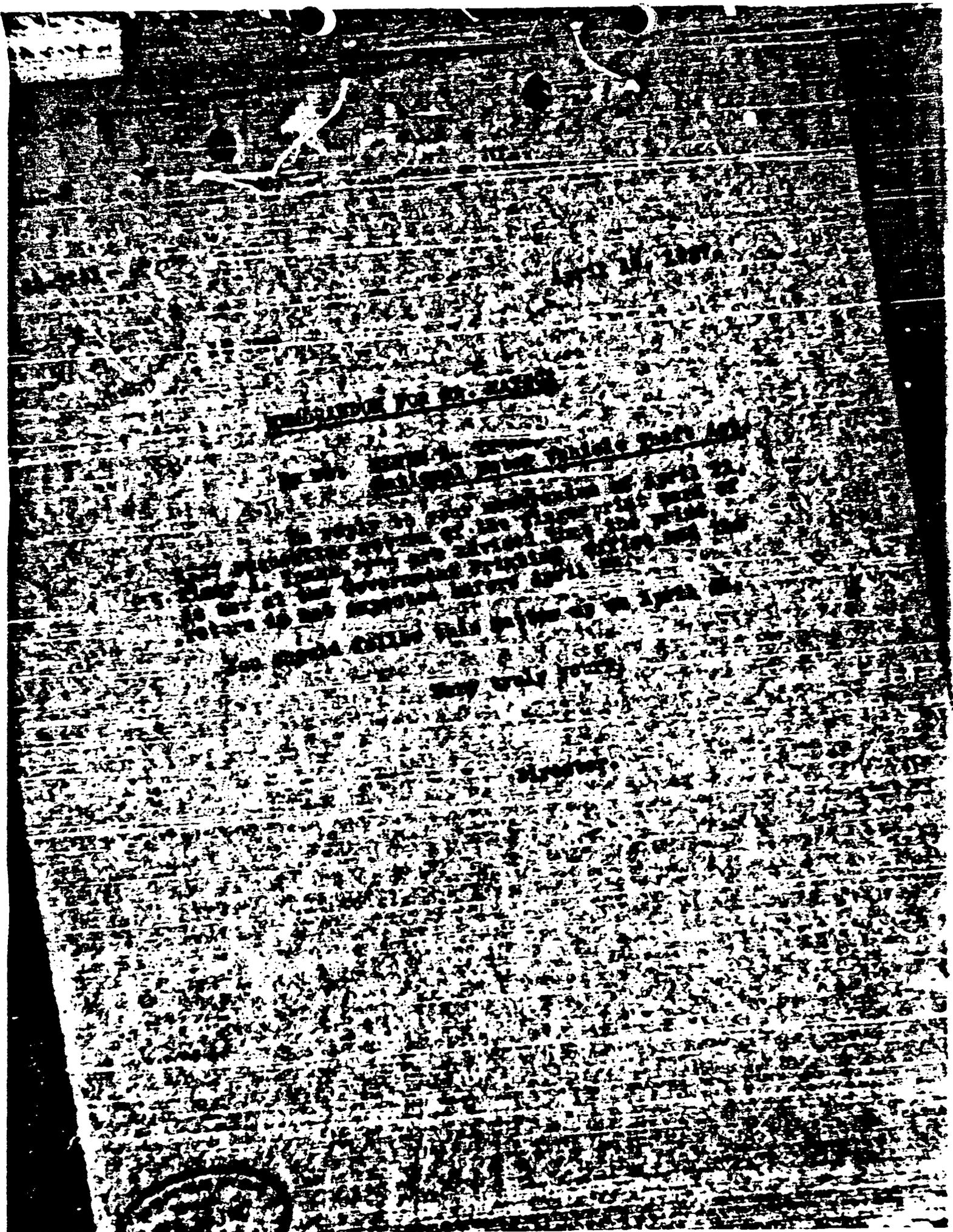
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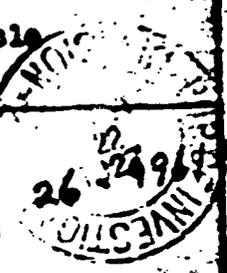
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Okla.**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-18-27</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-14-27</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. D. Glass</b>
TITLE <b>HERMAN W. BARKER, alias AL AYERS, alias D. W. BOSTELLO, alias S. J. WILSON (Fugitive) - HERMAN A. DEAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias E. E. AMES (Fugitive)</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.</b>



(O. C. #26-846-86)

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject Barker escaped from custody of local authorities in County jail at Fayetteville, Ark., on March 30, 1927. Complete description, names of persons who visited him and wrote to him while in jail, and addresses of mother and sweetheart, and all other information in possession of Sheriff at Fayetteville are obtained. Leads for Oklahoma City and Nashville offices.

- PENDING -

**REFERENCE:-** Entire file captioned as above.

- At Fayetteville, Arkansas -

**DETAILS:-**

Henry Walker, Sheriff at Fayetteville, Washington County, Arkansas, advises that during the night of March 30, 1927, Subject Herman Barker escaped from the County jail at Fayetteville. He advises that Claude Cooper, who was being held on a charge of forgery, escaped with Subject Barker; that these two men sawed their way out of the jail through the roof; that Claude Cooper is a native of Fayetteville and it is thought that the saws were obtained by Cooper; that neither Subject nor Cooper has been apprehended.

All the following information was obtained from Sheriff Walker:

**DETAILS** Subject, in company with Ray Terrill, a notorious Oklahoma bandit, was arrested at Joplin, Missouri, on January 22, 1927, on charge of robbery of a bank at Westfork, Arkansas. Subject was returned to Fayetteville, Arkansas, and Terrill was taken to Oklahoma City where he had received a twenty year sentence on conviction of a bank robbery charge, and he recently escaped when he was being taken to the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

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